

Statement

Nunavut mourns the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

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The Premier of Nunavut, P.J. Akeeagok, today issued the following statement on the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II:

“Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has been an iconic figure and a significant part of Canada’s history for the past seventy years.

Her reign symbolizes service to the commonwealth and dedication to the Crown. While the relationship between Inuit and the Crown has not always been easy, Her Majesty has been long respected by our Elders.

In 1970, prior to the formation of Nunavut, Her Majesty visited Frobisher Bay. The large crowds that welcomed her were a testament to her impact on Elders in our territory. Her first visit after the creation of Nunavut was in 2002. She addressed Nunavummiut from the Nunavut Legislature and even shared a few words of congratulations in Inuktitut.

On behalf of the Government of Nunavut and all Nunavummiut, I express our condolences to members of the Royal Family for the loss of a beloved mother and grandmother.

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